

**REMARKS**

Responsive to the Notice of Allowance dated December 2, 2005, claims 1-4, 7 and 12-25 are allowed. It is noted that the listing of claims as presented along with this Amendment includes incorporated therein the amendments to claims 1, 16 and 19 made via the Examiner's Amendment as set forth in the Notice of Allowability, received along with the above noted Notice of Allowance.

However, previously pending claims 5 and 6 were canceled by way of the above noted Examiner's Amendment, as being non-elected without traverse. It is noted that claims 5 and 6 were previously withdrawn from consideration by the Examiner in the Office Action dated April 22, 2005.

However, as asserted during a telephone interview with Examiner Parekh conducted on December 15, 2005, and as requested on page 16 of the Amendment dated July 22, 2005, because withdrawn claims 5 and 6 are dependent upon allowed claim 1, withdrawn claims 5 and 6 should have been rejoined and found allowable at least by virtue of dependency upon claim 1.

In this regard, the Examiner is respectfully directed to 37 C.F.R. 1.141(a), which sets forth that more than one species of an invention, not to exceed a reasonable number, may be specifically claimed in different claims in one national application, provided the application also includes an allowable generic claim to all the claimed species and all the claims to species in excess of one are written in dependent form or otherwise include all the limitations of the generic claim.

During the above noted telephone interview, Examiner Parekh agreed to reconsider rejoinder of claims 5 and 6. The Examiner however requested resubmission of claims 5 and 6 by way of Amendment Under 37 C.F.R. 1.312, to expedite handling of this application.

Accordingly, claims 26 and 27 as presented herewith via this Amendment Under 37 C.F.R. 1.312, correspond respectively to canceled claims 5 and 6.

Applicant respectfully requests favorable consideration and entry of this Amendment under 37 C.F.R. 1.312, without withdrawing the present application from issue. Applicant further respectfully requests rejoinder of claims 26 and 27 (which correspond to previously canceled claims 5 and 6), in compliance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.141(a). Claims 26 and 27 should be found allowable by virtue of dependency on claim 1.

### **Drawings**

By way of the Amendment dated July 22, 2005, Fig. 1 was corrected so that the side surface of semiconductor chip 5 is denoted as 56, as described on page 11, line 26 through to page 12, line 1 of the application. Accordingly, one (1) red-inked drawing Annotated Sheet including the above noted correction to Fig. 1 was submitted along with the Amendment dated July 22, 2005. Also, one (1) drawing Replacement Sheet was enclosed along with the above noted Amendment dated July 22, 2005, incorporating the drawing correction. **The Examiner is respectfully requested to**

**acknowledge receipt and acceptance of the Drawing Replacement Sheet as filed along with the Amendment dated July 22, 2005.** In order to expedite handling of this application, courtesy copies of the above noted drawing Annotated Sheet and drawing Replacement Sheet are enclosed herewith.

### **Conclusion**

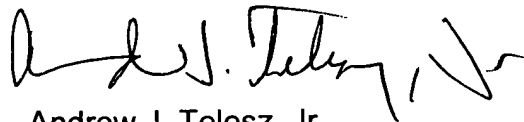
Favorable consideration and entry of this Amendment Under 37 C.F.R. 1.312 are respectfully requested, along with acceptance of the drawing Replacement Sheet, without withdrawing the application from issue.

In the event that there are any outstanding matters remaining in the present application, please contact Andrew J. Telesz, Jr. (Reg. No. 33,581) at (571) 283-0720 in the Washington, D.C. area, to discuss these matters.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment for any additional fees that may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 50-0238.

Respectfully submitted,

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A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "A. J. Telesz, Jr.", with a stylized flourish at the end.

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Enclosures: One (1) red-inked drawing Annotated Sheet  
One (1) drawing Replacement Sheet

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